

### 🏆 MSSU Science Fair (Tuesday, 28 March, 2017)

The MSSU Regional Science Fair hosts middle and high students from area schools who compete for a chance to represent the region at the international fair in Los Angeles, CA. This year we had 29 students in the senior division (grades 9-12 / all individual projects) and 130 students in the junior division (grades 6-8 / 104 individual projects and 13 team projects). Of the students that participated, 3 were home schooled. We had 6 area high schools participate and 7 middle schools.

### 🏆 Honors Program Update

Honors has finished interviewing candidates and made selections. We had a record number 129 applicants this year, and we accepted 55, our largest class ever. We accepted 5 students currently studying at MSSU and 50 high school seniors, several from out of state and as far away as Illinois and New Mexico.

Out of the 50 high school students we selected:

8 are valedictorians

3 are salutatorians

32 are in the top 10% of their class

24 have a GPA of 4.0

30 have an ACT score of 28 or higher

19 have an ACT score of 30 or higher (we have one student with a 35 ACT, two with a 34 ACT, three with a 33 ACT and eight students with a 31 ACT score).

### 🏆 MSSU Research Symposium

The final count for the Student Research Symposium is 46 participants for this year, up from last year's 28. That includes 8 dual credit students from Joplin High School.

The symposium will take place on Wednesday, April 26th from 1:00-4:00pm in the BSC Ballroom. The symposium is a one-day conference that celebrates the outstanding research, as well as artistic endeavors, being conducted at Missouri Southern State University. This event is open to students from all disciplines, providing them with an opportunity to showcase their research beyond the classroom setting. All students who are involved in faculty-guided research and creative activity---whether conducted as part of a class, internship, or program---are eligible to participate in the symposium, and they are encouraged to submit an abstract. Students may compete in six categories:

Humanities

Business, Engineering, and Technology

Social Sciences

Physical and Biological Sciences

Health Sciences

Education

